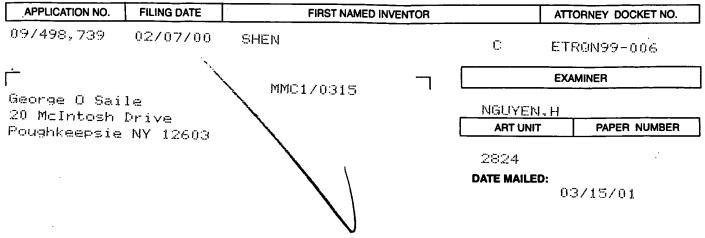


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DETAILED ACTION

Specification

1. The specification has not been checked to the extent necessary to determine the presence of all possible minor errors. Applicant's cooperation is requested in correcting any errors of which applicant may become aware in the specification.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

- 2. Claims 18-34 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.
- In claim 18, page 39, lines 4-5, the recitation of "said internal clock" lacks of clear antecedent basic.
- In claims 19-26, line 1, the recitation in the preamble "the clock synchronizer circuit" lacks of antecedent basic.
- In claim 26, the claim dependency is incorrect. The claim can not be depended to itself.

 Also, in line 1, the recitation of "the internal clock" lacks of antecedent basic.
- In claim 27, page 42, lines 13-14, the recitation of "said internal clock" lacks of clear antecedent basic.
- In claims 27-34, line 1, the recitation in the preamble "the clock synchronizer circuit" lacks of antecedent basic.

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Allowable Subject Matter

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3. Claims 18-34 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s)

under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action.

4. Claims 1-17 and 35-46 are allowed over prior art.

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's

disclosure.

6.

Frangioso et al.(5,396,111) and Iwamoto et al.(5,946,268) are cited as of interest.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner

should be directed to Hien Nguyen whose telephone number is (703) 308-4888. The examiner

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can also be reached on alternate Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

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